B’nai B’rith Retirement Villages are an intrinsic part of B’nai B’rith NSW

The Council of B’nai B’rith NSW (BB NSW) and the Board of B’nai B’rith Retirement Villages Ltd (BBRV) are pleased to announce that the recent disagreements between them have now been resolved to both parties’ mutual satisfaction. As the President of B’nai B’rith NSW, Anna Marks OAM stated in her letter of 27 September 2017 and reiterated in her recent letter of 21 February 2018: “B’nai B’rith Retirement Villages have always been an outstanding component of the face of B’nai B’rith in NSW. We are proud of the achievements of BBRV, and take great satisfaction from the esteem with which it is held in the Jewish community.”

Both BB NSW and BBRV look forward to future harmonious relations and shalom bayit in the interests of both the residents at BBRV retirement villages and the Jewish community in NSW.

Anna Marks OAM
President, BB NSW

Henry Wirth
Chairman, BBRV
FROM THE PRESIDENT’S DESK
Anna Marks OAM

Changes for the Executive of BBNSW. Tony Faust resigned to pursue other interests, and I thank him for his contribution and counsel during his time on the Board. I am very pleased to advise that Janine Zimbler, co-Vice President of BB Womanpower has joined the Executive, and has already attended a monthly Executive meeting, and I am sure she will be an extremely valued member of the team.

The Australian Ambassador to Israel, Chris Cannan, had a meeting with the Executive Director of the BB World Centre in Jerusalem, Alan Schneider, and Alan approached me to provide some background information on B’nai B’rith before his meeting. Of course I was more than pleased to oblige and sent him a copy of the current Communicator, and information on some of the advocacy work BB has done over the past couple of years. Apparently the Ambassador was very interested in the Courage to Care project, and he has offered to come and speak to us on his first leave home in July/August.

BBNSW received a letter from the Australian Institute of Polish Affairs regarding the new law passed by the Polish Government that makes it illegal to accuse the Polish state of complicity in Nazi and other war crimes. Please read the letter. As I write, the AJN (21.3.18) already has an article on the impact the new law is having on open discussion in Poland.

The opening of the Courage to Care Exhibition at the Centre by Dr Stepan Kerkasharian was very moving, and obviously heartfelt by Stepan. The Local hero, a young woman, ex-Emanuel student, Genevieve Radnan spoke about her mission to help women and children in Kenya, who are living in poverty through vocational education, and her dream of establishing a hospital to help the community there. She is truly an inspirational young woman trying to make a difference in the world.

The Chief Operating Officer from Aepi (the Jewish Fraternity on UNSW campus) Jim Schneider was visiting from the US and I had a meeting with him and Jordan Epstein, the current President of Aepi here. Jim’s teenaged boys are very involved with BB Youth in the US and we spoke about establishing a link between BBNSW and BBY in the future. He had an opportunity to be shown the C2C Exhibition, which he found most impressive.

Incidentally, our Second Night Seder at the Centre will be conducted by the boys from Aepi. There are still a few places left for anyone wanting to come. Please book with Jenny.

The plans for the Goldene Medina exhibition are powering ahead, Stephen Chipkin, President of the JCA and an ex-South African himself will be opening the Exhibition on Sunday, 6th May at 10.30am. I look forward to all the associated functions organised by Vivienne Radomsky to complement the exhibition. Please check the calendar and book.

The Sydney Choral Society (featuring our own Len Mahemoff and Rev. Joshua Weinberger from the Great Synagogue ) will be presenting ‘Commemoration’ Music of War and Peace at the Great Synagogue, on Sunday, 15th April 2018. Please see the attached flyer to book. I’m sure it will be a superb concert.

A lot of work is being done on the BB website to modernise and update it and to make it more user friendly. It will be going live fairly soon. It will be great to have a modern communication tool at our disposal.

I hope you will be blown away by the new presentation of the Communicator on your computer screens. A big thank you to Jenny Mandel, our Administrator, whose persistence to make it work has to be really commended.

Ernie Friedlander OAM has been invited to light a candle at the Jewish Board of Deputies Holocaust Remembrance Day Events and of course he will also be representing B’nai B’rith.

Wishing you all a Chag Kasher V’Same’ach

Anna
B’nai B’rith NSW invites you to the opening of
The Goldene Medina Exhibition
by
Stephen Chipkin
President JCA
Sunday 6 May 2018
10.30am
B’nai B’rith Centre
Barker Street
(opposite No 20, Barker St),
Kensington, UNSW
RSVP to council@bbnsw.org.au or call 9321 6300 ext 1 by 1 May 2018
Exhibition open from 6 May to 3 June
B’nai B’rith NSW is indebted to these sponsors for their generous support.

INVITATION TO MEMBERS AND FRIENDS
**CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

* N.B. **MEMBERS AND FRIENDS ARE WELCOME TO ANY AND ALL FUNCTIONS LISTED BELOW**

### MARCH 2018

**Thursday 8th - Wednesday 28 March**

C2C EXHIBITION BB Centre

Sunday-Thursday Booking essential. Sessions 10.00am & 2.00pm

Contact Hezie Lazarov 9321-6301 or email programcoordinator@couragetocare.com.au

**Saturday 31 March**

2nd Night Seder at the BB Centre, 6.30pm $40.00 for members, $45.00 for guests. Booking and pre-payment essential. We can only accommodate 40 people. To book contact Jenny 9321 6315 council@bbnsw.com.au

### APRIL 2018

**Monday 2 April**

Syd Einfeld Unit and other units  Annual Matzah Picnic at Centennial Park. Usual spot, Paperbark Grove @10:30am. All members and friends welcome!

**Sunday 8 April**

North Shore Kadimah Unit  D.A.R.T.S outing to Kokoda Memorial Walking Track @ 11.00am

Womanpower @5.30pm meeting at Janine's house.

**Sunday 15April**

Syd Einfeld Unit  The Annual Werner Gabriel and John Lilienfeld Memorial Trivia Quiz @ the BB Centre @ 2.30pm $25p.p including afternoon tea. See flyer.


**Monday 16 & Tuesday 17 April**

Kids Club @ BB Centre

**Monday 16 April**

AVIV Henry Wirth, Chairman of BB Retirement Villages will be giving an update on the Villages and particularly the new property purchase in Double Bay - BB Centre@ 7.30pm

**Monday 22 April**

North Shore Kadimah General Meeting @ 2.00pm with guest speaker Kim Phillips speaking on his book “The Spirit of Gallipoli”

### MAY 2018

**Sunday 6 May - Sunday 3 June**

THE GOLDENE MEDINA EXHIBITION @ BB CENTRE opening @ 10.30am Sunday 6 May

**Thursday 10 May**

Courage to Care “Legends of Australian Business II” Charity Dinner. See Flyer”

**Saturday 12 May**

Goldene Medina @6pm BB Centre

Havdallah & braai with Rabbi Yossi Friedman of Maroubra Synagogue, join us for “boeries & pap” $10p.p.

**Tuesday 15 May**

Goldene Medina @ 7.00pm Maureen Mendelowitz- on her book “The Rock” $10p.p

**Monday 21 May**

AVIV @ 7.30pm BB Centre General meeting with guest speaker Moira Blumenthal bringing an actor from the paly “Man in the Attic” .

**Monday 27 May**

Goldene Medina @ 6.30pm Joanna Weinberg's Cabaret “The Piano Diaries” (not to be missed). $25p.p

**Thursday 31 May**

Goldene Medina @ 7.00pm Mark Ginsburg “The impact of Jews on the Jazz scene in South Africa” 10p.p

### JUNE 2018

**Sunday 3 June**

Syd Einfeld Unit @ 4.00pm bb centre -food tasting with Cef Michael Rantissi more details to come.

Goldene Medina Closes @ 4.00pm.
Dear Members

Our deepest sympathy goes to our Treasurer Agnes Heffernan on the passing of her son, Ben

One quarter of the year has gone – we have progressed by laying the foundation for the year’s programs. The results look very promising – your involvement would be most welcome.

Game Changers Jewish Youth & Young Adults Achievement Awards
Nominate your children, grandchildren, friends for this prestigious Award. It is one of the most uplifting events. See the flyer for details.

20 D Racial Discrimination Act:
At the February Jewish Board of Deputies meeting, there were very serious concerns that the act has been very weak. According to the Opposition Leader Luke Foley and the Executive of the Board, not a single person has been successfully prosecuted for making threats to Jews as in order to do so, the threats have to be carried out. I believe that a different approach is needed to overcome the concerns of “Restricting the Freedom of Speech” by focusing on VIOLENCE and incitement to it.

Combating Anti Semitism:
You were all advised of a brainstorming session on 27 February. It was well attended and we also had some constructive suggestions emailed to us that were discussed at the gathering. It made it a very successful start. The key decisions were:

- Action is needed badly
- It should be pro-active
- Preparing a starting package – a step-by-step format to be established.

2018 B’nai B’rith Oration with Julian Leeser:
To be held on 15 July at the Emanuel Synagogue with the topic being “Human Rights and the Australian Parliament – time to review”.

Moving Forward Together progress:
- The first gathering at UTS was very successful – I addressed 45 overseas students and was promised support for our Harmony projects in the future.
- Attended Premier’s Harmony Dinner as guest of NRL.
- NRL instigated a Harmony Walk in Wentworthville which was attended by the Minister for Citizenship & Multiculturalism and Todd Greenberg, the League’s boss.
- Strathfield Council requested that we display our Harmony Poster at their Library, a great display was made and the Mayor and a representative of the Premier attended the opening.

This year’s Prize Giving for the Harmony Day Poster and Song Writing Competitions will be held in September due to the renovation of the theatrette in Parliament House.

Yona Cass who has been a major contributor to our programs is going overseas with her husband. We wish them a most enjoyable trip and safe return.

We hope you had a lot of joy at Purim and wish you a Happy Pesach with your families.

Ernie

The Hon Ray Williams MP, Ernie Friedlander OAM Todd Greenberg CEO NRL, The Hon Alan Tudge MP,
We would like to congratulate Juliet Seifert for taking on the Presidency of Courage to Care. She will bring with her new ideas and a new style from a very capable lady.

**Our General Meeting** on Monday 19th March was in a different format than usual. The two function rooms at BB Centre held the exhibition of Courage to Care. Lodge Aviv members met in the foyer and split into two groups. After an introduction by Juliet, one group had a tour of this exceptional exhibition guided by Susie Pajor. The other group heard the story of Annie Friedlander’s Mother who was a holocaust survivor. Annie told us her story accompanied by a moving film. We then swapped over. Tea and Coffee, cake and sandwiches were enjoyed after the exhibition. We celebrated Julia Myers’ birthday as well as Ellis Jacobs & Peter Klimt. Thanks to Leah Woolf who sponsored the supper.

**Pesach Parcel Packing** took place on Thursday 22nd March 6pm and delivery of parcels on Sunday 25th. As Ralph is away he asked John Roozendaal, Andrew Vadasz and James Hill to be in charge.

**Our AGM and General Meeting** will be on 16th April 7.30pm There will be no Installation this year as the Executive will remain the same except for Ann Milch who will now be the Vice President. Our guest speaker, Henry Wirth will speak about the new property recently purchased by BB in Double Bay.

**Our General Meeting** on May 21st 7.30pm Moira Blumenthal will be our guest speaker and will bring an actor from the play “Man in the Attic”.

BB Lodge Aviv has been able to buy tickets for the play “Man in the Attic” for **Thursday 19th July**. Please note the date. It would be a shame if you missed out on seeing this excellent play to be held at the Infinity Theatre, Palmer Street, Darlinghurst and cost will be between $40 and $45 pp. The play is by internationally acclaimed playwright Timothy Daly.

This play is the winner of the prestigious Patrick White Award, tells the true story of a Jewish watchmaker who is hidden by a German couple during the Holocaust. He repairs watches brought into the German shop. The couple deceive him about the ending of the war and continue to profit from his captivity as the wife becomes trapped in a conflict between greed and humanity.

Congratulations to PP Ernie Friedlander on a successful Harmony Walk. It was an extremely hot day, however some 800 people attended. Almost every nationality gave some form of entertainment.

Wishing you all a very happy & Kosher Pesach.

We are looking forward to hearing all about Jenny Burman’s trip to India on her return.

Ann Milch

On behalf of Gary Marx and Jenny Burman
We were very pleased with the fundraising efforts for 2016 when we donated $120,000 to various organisations but delighted that the funds raised in 2017 exceeded this amount by $10,000 making a total for the last two years of $250,000 donated to the Jewish and non-Jewish community.

Among the Jewish recipients this time are: COA for their Meals on Wheels program; Camp Sababa to assist with their camps for disabled children; Sydney Jewish Choral Society to help fund a concert in the the Great Synagogue in April; Jewish Care Print 35; and Academy BJE. We are also supporting several B’nai B’rith programs: the Goldene Medina exhibition and the Battle of the Bands competition organised by Vivienne Radomsky; Safe Conversations program run by Womanpower unit; and of course Courage to Care. There are fifteen donations in all for Jewish causes.

Among the non-Jewish recipients this time are: Australian Cancer Research Foundation; Sydney Children’s Hospital Foundation; Australian Foundation for Diabetes Research; and some smaller organisations in the local area such as South Sydney Police Citizens Youth Club and Midnight Basketball. There are nine donations in all for non-Jewish causes.

Thanks go to the volunteers who donate their time working in the shop, who pick up donations from private homes, who provide a delivery service, who test the electrical equipment before sale and who assist with many other tasks. Thanks also to the members of the committee who manage the running of the shop.

If you would like to be part of this very successful fundraising venture, call Judy Gyenes 02 9662-2336 to find out more.
Courage to Care welcomed over 60 members and guests to the launch of its exhibition at the B’nai B’rith Centre on Sunday 11th March. Guest speakers Dr Stepan Kerkasharian and Genevieve Radnan, our local hero, each related their experience and endeavours to the values and purpose of Courage to Care, clearly demonstrating how each individual can decide to participate to make a difference.

Our Courage to Care in the Classroom program is in high demand. During March and April, it will be presented at: Sydney Boys’ High to the Social Justice Group representatives from years 7 to 12; Glenmore Park High to 80 year 10 students; St Ives High to year 10 students.

Planning is also in progress for requests to visit schools in Newcastle, Wollongong and Canberra.

Courage to Care has been invited to participate at all Montefiore Home campuses on Yom HaShoah. Our focus for these brief presentations will be to showcase the positive impact our program has had over many years on young people.

Building on the outstanding success of the first Legends of Australian Business Charity Dinner held last year, this event is again being organised in 2018. It will be a night not to be missed – so put it in your diary now!

THURSDAY 10th MAY
Le Montage, 38 Frazer Street, Lilyfield
Keynote Speaker: Alpha Cheng, Young Australian of the Year and Courage to Care Ambassador

The outstanding lineup of panelists includes: Geoff Levy AO, Kim Jacobs AM, Jackie Frank, Sheena Jack and moderator Adam Spencer.

Come along, bring your friends, make up a table and enjoy an informative and fun evening, while supporting Courage to Care.

Book at https://www.trybooking.com/UIKF
Or email fundraiser@couragetocare.com.au for more information.

Another special event to mark in your diary now!

B’NAI B’RITH / AVIV / COURAGE TO CARE FUNDRAISER THEATRE PARTY
Thursday 19th July
”Man in the Attic”
Eternity Theatre
Palmer St., Darlinghurst

A winner of Australia’s most prestigious play competition, the Patrick White Award, the play has already been staged internationally, with two sold-out seasons (2013, 2015) at France’s most prestigious theatre festival, the Festival of Avignon, as well as an extra season at the Théâtre de l’Est in Paris.

Please see Flyer

Booking information will be in next month’s Communicator but make sure you save the date NOW!

And to prepare you for the play, an extra special opportunity!

At the Aviv meeting on Monday May 21st 7.30pm, the play’s director, Moira Blumenthal, will be guest speaker and will be joined by a member of the cast.

All are welcome to attend.
Please let Aviv know you plan to attend by calling Ann Milch on 0423 276 600 or emailing her at amilch@bigpond.net.au
COURAGE TO CARE
EXHIBITION AT B’NAI B’RITH CENTRE
Several of our members and a friend volunteered to deliver parcels on 25 March for Pesach to Jewish Care clients on the North Shore.

Once again arrangements were made to have these parcels brought to the North Shore Synagogue for collection by the volunteers. The geographic spread for delivery ranged from Cherrybrook to Mosman and Hornsby to Hunters Hill.

Many thanks to Henry and Ros Roberts, Evelyn Solomon and her son Glen, Marsha and Lawrence Lake, Guta and Henry Frydman, Miriam Kluger, Anne Croft and Diana and David Laufer.

The next outing with the D.A.R.T.S. people will be on 8 April at the Kokoda Track Memorial Walkway at Concord from 11:15am. Please advise Miriam Kluger (9880 9116) if you will be coming. As well as bringing your own meat, please also bring cake and salad to share.

Our guest speaker at the general meeting at 2:00pm on 22 April is Kim Phillips who has been researching the Australian soldiers who fought and died at Gallipoli and their families. Kim has published her research findings in a book “The Spirit of Gallipoli” as a tribute to those soldiers. A distant relative of Diana’s is included in the book. This meeting, just a few days before ANZAC Day, will be at Kadimah Gardens.

Syd Einfeld Unit is hosting a couple of events in April in which some of our NSK members may be interested. One is the annual Matzah picnic in Centennial Park on 2 April from 10:30 am. The other is their annual Trivia Quiz at the BB Centre on 15 April in the afternoon. Let me know if you are interested in forming a NSK table.

The B’nai Brith Oration, a major event for our organisation, will be held on 15 July at the Emanuel Synagogue in Woollahra. The guest speaker will be Julian Leeser, the Member for the Federal electorate of Bradfield.

As car parking is difficult in that vicinity, we need to start considering car-pooling arrangements.

Wishing you a Chag Sameach Pesach.

David Laufer
Dear members,

By now the year is in full swing with loads of happenings at B’nai B’rith, as it should be.

Once again Sydney Masada Unit has generously supplied the gifts of boxes of matzo for residents at both the Princess Gardens and Kadimah Retirement Villages. These gifts will coincide with pre Pesach visits for tea and a chit-chat from Masada College students to Kadima Gardens on the 22 March, the event was enjoyed by all. Unfortunately the visit by Emanuel School to Princess Gardens had to be cancelled.

We have a number of families from our Kids Club getting involved in all our activities offered at the moment, namely the Courage to Care Program, Pesach Parcel delivery and booking in to the Kids Club Photography workshop in the April School holidays. It’s very pleasing to note that parents are now well aware of our activities and keen to be involved.

I have also had a very positive response to flyers posted in school newsletters and Facebook sites calling for people to be assist in our Pesach parcel delivery. Once again parents from our Kids’ Club called in eager to deliver parcels with their children.

A group of kids along with their parents attended the Courage to Care exhibition on Sunday 18 March and participated in the two hour program.

Planning is also in full swing for our upcoming Goldene Medina exhibition – Celebrating 175 Years of Jewish life in South Africa. We are excited to announce that President of JCA, Stephen Chipkin will open the exhibition on Sunday 6 May at the Centre at 10.30am. All B’nai B’rith members are invited to attend. The exhibition will be on for the entire month of May for those who can’t attend the opening.

Vivienne Radomsky

### SAVE THE DATES: Exhibition Events

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Please call the office to book in for any of these events
A little bit of history that some of you may not be aware of. Way back when the SEU unit was Initiated in 1996, a sizable amount of money was entrusted to the Unit from the then defunct Monash Unit of B’nai B’rith.

SEU has manged these funds in the form of the Monash Scholarship that are given to needy students yearly. Additionally, the late Catherine Gluck donated money to bolster the funds. A scholarship committee was set up and functioned very efficiently till about four years ago when we partnered with Mandelbaum House. They assist the committee in determining and identifying needy students. I am proud to say that in this manner over the years the Syd Einfeld Unit has assisted close to 50 students who may have not been able to afford to go to University.

The funds are managed extremely well and with interest regularly added, after 21 years, we still have the original amount that was given to the Unit. I wish to congratulate all those SEU members that have been involved in this process we can be proud of our Unit! Please see letter from one of the Student Recipients on the following page.

I am delighted to announce that, at our meeting on Sunday 18 March, at Princess Gardens B’nai B’rith Retirement Village we installed two new members to our Unit. Anna Marks OAM, in her capacity as B’nai B’rith Council Chairman very efficiently installing Joan & Jeff Abrahams to SEU a nice time was had by all.

A very successful first Susssing out Sydney, for 2018, to Palm Beach was attended by a record 19 SEU members who all had a great time. Led by our own Sue & David Samuels who always go to a lot of trouble looking for interesting excursions around Sydney. The bus left from Wynyard and traveled through the northern beaches of Sydney before arriving at Palm Beach. After lunch it was decided to go for a stroll along the beachfront towards the Barrenjoey Lighthouse. Some went back by bus and ferry from Manly and others back to Wynyard. All B’nai B’rith members are welcome to join this very active group of “explorers”. All SEU excursions are advertised in emails and is in our newsletter.

At our last meeting Larry & Naomi Sher took us on a great Canadian Rockies and Alaskan trip. Larry, with a lot of humour, went into explanation of his planning process for the six-week trip and finished with a bunch of travel tips that, we were told, are guaranteed to save us money.

An SEU fundraising Committee has been set up and our first function will be food tasting with Chef Michael Rantissi at B’nai B’rith on Sunday 3rd June 2018; 4pm till 6:30pm. This is a not to be missed function and will be open to all of B’nai B’rith. More details to come.

Regards

Andrew
The Syd Einfeld Unit invites all B’nai B’rith members and friends to
a matzah picnic

Where:
Centennial Park, Paperbark Grove, on Parkes Drive, between Grand Drive and Paddington Gates, diagonally opposite kiosk and restaurant

When: Monday, 2nd April (Easter Monday)

Time: Meet 11.30 - 12 noon
We had a very successful afternoon meeting last month with Rabbi Dr Elton of the Great Synagogue presenting a very interesting talk about the Talmud & the Mishna which was widely enjoyed by the members.

We had also 13 of the Princess Garden residents who joined B’nai B’rith as Members at Large. Many of who participate at our monthly meetings of Sydney Masada Unit and who’s initiation was conducted by Morris Tobias President of B’nai B’rith Australia/New Zealand and Anna Marks OAM President of B’nai B’rith NSW.

Our Heartiest congratulation & a warm Mazal Tov to our long serving B’nai B’rith member - Bella Rosenfield on her 90th Birthday, from all of us at Sydney Masada Unit & B’nai B’rith.

Our next meeting will be 24 April 2018.

Wishing you all a happy, kosher pesach.

Eli Tal
Acting President
We had our first “Ballabooosta” Pre Pesach Cooking demonstration on Sunday night 18 March and it was a lot of fun and huge success.

A few of our new participants had not been to the new B’nai B’rith Centre and it was a pleasant surprise when they realised just how upmarket and accessible our new home is.

With our wine glasses filled to the brim we watched and learnt new cooking skills from four talented ballabooostas. Sue Hertzberg cooked a barramundi sweet and sour fish dish, Belinda Levy mesmerised us with a typical South African Geshmeerte Matza, and Michelle Kubie tempted our tastebuds with chocolate brownies. Finally Nina Blair showed us how easy it is to make banana fritters and crunchy quinoa salad. Some of us now feel more inspired to cook new recipes for the upcoming Pesach festivities. The B’nai B’rith kitchen certainly had a work out!

After the dinner many people had a wander around the Courage to Care exhibition. There is interest to arrange a special workshop with a Courage to Care guide. Please contact Hezie to arrange.

It is with much sadness that we mourn and remember our esteemed member Jeannette Trevor who passed away recently after a long battle with cancer.

Jeanette was one of the founding members of Womanpower and diligently kept the archives that go back 25 years. She will be sorely missed.

We are very grateful to the B’nai B’rith Bargain Bazaar who have generously sponsored our new Womanpower initiative, namely the “Safe Conversations Project”.

Safe Conversations is a highly acclaimed relationship therapy model developed by the founders of Imago Therapy. We believe this is a project would be an opportunity for B’nai B’rith to meet the mission of supporting and strengthening family relationships within and beyond the Jewish community.

Although in the preplanning stages the aim is for Womanpower to initiate Safe Conversations to Australia in the coming months via workshops.

The next Womanpower meeting will take place on Sunday 8 April, 5.30pm at Janine’s house.

Regards

Nina & Janine

(Co Presidents)
Dear Mrs Anna Marks OAM,

I write to you on behalf of the Executive Committee of the Australian Institute of Polish Affairs (AIPA) concerning the recent controversies surrounding Polish-Jewish and Polish-Israeli relations which have attracted considerable and adverse media coverage in Australia and overseas.

The controversies have been caused by the recent law signed by the Polish President, that makes it illegal to accuse the Polish state of complicity in Nazi and other war crimes. The new law and comments by public figures like the recent remarks by the Polish Prime Minister in Munich (17/02/2018) about “Jewish perpetrators” of the Holocaust, resulted in numerous world-wide protests and emotional outpourings and waves of claims and counter claims often propagating hate and anti-Semitism.

AIPA considers the law signed by the Polish President to be ill-considered, ineffective and harmful to the pursuit of truth and detrimental to the reputation of Poland. It distances itself from the remarks made by the Polish Prime Minister in Munich. All have the potential to stifle the frank and open historical discussions between Poles and Jews and to harm the wider Polish-Jewish relations.

Since its inception in 1991, AIPA has promoted Polish-Jewish dialogue in Australia in the spirit of openness, truth and mutual respect. This dialogue is one of our primary goals pursued by inviting many important Polish guest speakers (Jan Karski, Adam Michnik, Wladyslaw Bartoszewski, Pawel Spiewak among others) and engaging with numerous Jewish organisations in commemorating historical events important to both of our communities. These activities have resulted in strengthening trust, widening collaboration, and growing mutual respect between Polish and Jewish communities in Australia and abroad.

Today, not only do we continue this dialogue, but we also seek to combat anti-Polish and anti-Jewish propaganda. The Australian Institute of Polish Affairs remains committed to the dialogue with the Jewish community, irrespective of the recent controversies created by the Polish government. In fact, these controversies make our commitment to this dialogue even stronger.

Aleksander M. Gancarz OAM
President
Australian Institute of Polish Affairs
JOIN US FOR
OUR B’NAI B’RITH 2ND NIGHT SEDER
AT THE BB CENTRE
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Cost $40 members $45 Guests
Booking & Pre-payment essential as we only have 40 places
RSVP Jenny 9321-6315 or
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Directed by Moira Blumenthal

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The Man in The Attic is the incredible true story of a Jew who is hidden by a German couple during the Holocaust but, when the war ends, is led to believe that the War has been won – by the Nazis.

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Based on facts uncovered by internationally-acclaimed playwright, Timothy Daly, The Man In The Attic won the prestigious Patrick White Award and continues to play sold-out seasons in France. This is the Australian premiere.

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**DAY 2:** A live animal shoot with some stunning birds and lizards as our models! Edit and print your favourite shots into a collage to take home. Design your own t’shirt or poster with some screen printing designs.

**DATE**  Monday & Tuesday 16-17 April 2018  
**drop off from 9am, Pick up 3.30pm**

**AGES** 8-12

**COST** $145 BYO vegetarian lunch and Opal card (covers entry fee)

**ADDRESS**  B’nai B’rith Centre, UNSW, Barker Street, Kensington

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